

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10 through 14 and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer as to their subject matter by this amendment, amend claims 1 through 4, 9 and 15 by this amendment and newly add claims 24 through 27 by this amendment as follows:

1       1. (Currently Amended) A plasma display panel, comprising:

2              upper and lower substrates that are installed to be spaced apart from each other by a  
3              predetermined distance and that contain therebetween a plurality of barrier ribs and discharge spaces  
4              that are disposed between adjacent the barrier ribs in a display portion of the plasma display panel;

5              a plurality of sets of dummy ribs disposed on one of the upper and the lower substrates and  
6              being disposed outside the display portion of the plasma display panel, wherein at least one rib in  
7              each set of dummy ribs being a reinforcing rib and a remaining of the dummy ribs being non-  
8              reinforcing dummy ribs, said reinforcing rib being different in design from non-reinforcing dummy  
9              ribs and having a continuous shape a straight line series of closed structures; and

10             a sealant sealing together the upper and lower substrates.

1       2. (Currently Amended) The plasma display panel of claim 1, wherein the reinforcing rib is  
2       formed of connected closed ring holders, each closed ring holder having a cross-section of a  
3       predetermined shape wherein the closed structures of the reinforcing rib are connected closed  
4       structures.

1       3. (Currently Amended) The plasma display panel of claim 2, wherein the closed ~~ring holders~~  
2       structures have a polygonal cross-section.

1       4. (Currently Amended) The plasma display panel of claim 2, wherein the closed ~~ring holders~~  
2       structures have a circular cross-section.

1       5. (Original) The plasma display panel of claim 1, each set of dummy ribs having three ribs,  
2       all in parallel to each other.

1       6. (Original) The plasma display panel of claim 1, wherein each set of dummy ribs having  
2       two reinforcing ribs, one of which is positioned closest to the display region and the other is  
3       positioned farthest from the display region.

1       7. (Original) The display of claim 1, said display comprising four sets of dummy ribs, one  
2       set on each side of said display region.

1       8. (Previously Presented) The plasma display panel of claim 1, wherein the dummy rib sets  
2       further comprise a connecting rib adapted to connect neighboring dummy ribs within a set to each  
3       other.

1       9. (Currently Amended) A plasma display panel, comprising:

2       upper and lower substrates that are installed to be spaced apart from each other by a  
3       predetermined distance and that contain therebetween a plurality of barrier ribs and discharge spaces  
4       that are disposed between adjacent the barrier ribs in a display portion of the plasma display panel;  
5       a plurality of sets of dummy ribs disposed on one of the upper and the lower substrates and  
6       being disposed outside the display portion of the plasma display panel, wherein at least one rib in  
7       each set of dummy ribs being a reinforcing rib, said reinforcing rib being different in design from  
8       other dummy ribs and having a continuous shape; and  
9       a sealant sealing together the upper and lower substrates. The plasma display panel of claim  
10      +; wherein the reinforcing rib has a zig zag with multiple bending portions.

1       Claims 10 through 14 (Canceled)

1       15. (Currently Amended) A plasma display panel, comprising:  
2       upper and lower substrates which are installed to be spaced apart from each other by a  
3       predetermined distance and which contain therebetween a plurality of barrier ribs and discharge  
4       spaces that are disposed between the barrier ribs in a display portion of the plasma display panel, the  
5       display portion being a portion of the plasma display panel where images are ordinarily formed, said  
6       upper substrate having a first plurality of electrodes that are orthogonal to a second plurality of  
7       electrodes in the lower substrate; and  
8       a plurality of sets of dummy ribs disposed on one of the upper and the lower substrates and  
9       being disposed outside the display portion of the plasma display panel, wherein one rib in each set

10       of dummy ribs being a reinforcing rib, said reinforcing rib being a series of sections of a hollow,  
11       closed structure. The plasma display panel of claim 10, wherein ribs within each set of dummy ribs  
12       being connected by connecting portions.

Claims 16 - 20 (Canceled)

1           21. (Previously Presented) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib being  
2       adapted to withstand sandblasting.

1           22. (Previously Presented) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib being  
2       adapted to better withstand sandblasting than the non-reinforcing dummy ribs.

Claim 23 (Canceled)

1           24. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib extending a length of a  
2       display area of the display along a longest edge of the display area.

1           25. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib having a length of a  
2       plurality of said closed structures and a width of only one of said closed structures.

1           26. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 25, the reinforcing rib being a straight line

2 series of connected closed structures.

1 27. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 1, each of the dummy barrier ribs being parallel  
2 to each other and to an edge of a display region of the display.